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The Fire Chiefs and Fire Marshals of Weber Fire District, North View, Ogden, South Ogden Fire Departments, and the Weber State University have issued the following restrictions regarding fire works and open fires effective immediately and remaining in force until October 1, 2012.

The current conditions of vegetation in our area have created an extreme fire hazard, the worst in many years. Due to these conditions we are banning the use of **All** fireworks and **open** fires in the restricted areas unless specifically approved by the Fire Marshal of your area, except fires in approved fire pits and improved camp grounds. The restricted areas in the above listed cities are defined as, all areas east Harrison Blvd. from approximately 5400 S, North to Mountain Road, north to 3300 North. Then north of 3300 North to the Ogden Brigham Canal and north of the Ogden Brigham Canal to the north county line at SR 89.

We ask that the remainder of the communities follow some common sense guide lines when using fire works:

1. Follow label instructions.
2. Have an adult present at all times.
3. Never point or throw fireworks at another person.
4. Use fireworks only outdoors in a clear area at least 20 feet, (30 feet for aerial devices), away from buildings and vehicles.
5. Never carry fireworks in your pocket or shoot them in a metal or glass container.
6. Light one item at a time and then move back quickly.
7. Keep a bucket of water or garden hose ready.
8. Fireworks may be discharged from July 1st – July 7th and July 21st – July 27th.

Only the use of fire works approved for sale in Utah by the State Fire Marshals office are allowed anywhere in Weber County. Possession, ignition or display of any firework other than a Class C Common Fire Works is a criminal offence. Class C Common Fire Works are sold legally in Utah. Remember that the new Aerial Devices can travel up to 150 feet in the air. Utah State rules allow for the discharge of fireworks from 11am to 11pm, except on the 4th and 24th when the hours are extended to midnight. Your local fire department will be patrolling these areas while this high fire hazard exists.

We wish you all a happy and safe Summer Holiday Season. If you have any questions, please contact your local Fire Marshal.

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